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## Agawam Center Post Office Contract Awarded To Candib

Postmaster General John A. Gronouski announced yesterday that a contract has been awarded to Murray A. Candib of Springfield to build the new post office in Agawam and lease it to the Post Office Department.

The announcement of the award to the successful bidder advances the new building closer to the construction stage. When fully operational, the Postmaster General said, the additional space and more modern equipment will, in the long run, more than offset the extra cost involved in producing more efficient handling of the mail, in accord with President Johnson's directive to provide the best possible postal service at the least possible cost.

"This project is in accordance with our policy of building new post offices only where they are urgently needed," Mr. Gronouski said. "We are constantly reassessing our construction program to determine whether present buildings can be altered or remodeled to take care of our expanding mail volume.

The new building at 719 Main Street will represent an estimated total investment of \$93,000 by the successful bidder. It will be leased to the Department for ten years, with renewal options running for an additional twenty years.

This represents the lowest responsible bid of three bids received by the Department on a competitive basis, and reflects what Department studies have determined to be a reasonable and economical rental for leased space in this area.

"The new one-story brick building will be of individual design. It not only consolidates postal op-

erations now but offers more working room than previously. It will have an interior space of 4578 square feet, compared with previously. The area for parking and movement of postal vehicles totals 10,150 square feet, with a platform of 570 square feet.

It is expected to be completed in January, 1965.

## Catholic Women To Attend Eve Of Recollection May 6

Members of the Catholic Women's Club of Agawam will attend an Evening of Recollection at the Marian Retreat House in Holyoke on Wednesday, the 6th.

The evening will start with a Mass at 6 p.m., followed by a dinner and the first conference at 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be Rev. Karl Huller, of St. Mary's Church, Springfield.

Reservations may be made with Mrs. Richard Gingras, RE 2-3927, no later than May 3rd.

## Twins Mother's Club To Install Monday

The Hampden County Mother of Twins Club will hold its monthly meeting Monday evening, the 4th, at the Chapter House for The Blind, 910 Liberty St., Springfield, starting at 8. Mrs. Christopher Gallagher, president will preside.

During the month of April a nominating committee consisting of Mrs. Karl R. Hodges, Mrs. Murray Patridge, Mrs. Thomas Smethurst and Mrs. Harvy Vigneault selected the following slate of officers for the 1964-'65 season.

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## Multiple Sclerosis Drive Starts May 3

Mrs. Louis Bontempo, Agawam chairman for the Multiple Sclerosis Pioneer Valley Chapter announces that the drive will get underway on May 3 and continue



MRS. DAVID KEAY

through May 17th. The workers will be given two weeks to canvass all the streets in Agawam. Mr. and Mrs. David Keay are serving as cochairmen.

40% of the money is used for research, the other 60% remains in the local Chapter area and is used for patients aid, equipment and medical care where needed. Some money is used for arranging social and recreational outlets for patients and their family.

## Troop 706 Supper Auction Saturday

Troop 706 is sponsoring a Spaghetti Supper and Auction at the Good Shepherd Church on Saturday beginning at 5:30 p.m. Price is 99c for adults and 50c for children under 12.

The menu consists of scrumptious spaghetti and meatballs, salad, dessert, and beverage. After supper the auction will be held with many things to auction off. Toys, books for children, nicknacks, household goods, and many other things.

The Supper committee is headed by Margaret Walz, chairman, committee members are: Mary Crouss, Elizabeth Gryzberg, Sharon Coons, Joyce Olsen, Linda Flint, and Sue-Ellen O'Connell.

The Auction committee is headed by Roberta Walz, chairman, committee members are: Amorette Childs, Carol Greene, Barbara Bemis, Susan Smith, Cynthia Smith, Debbie King, Gail Roberts and Mary Bergoli.

Tickets may be purchased at the door.

## Olivo To Attend Prudential Meeting

Sixteen representatives of the Prudential Insurance Co.'s West Springfield branch office, 2119 Riverdale Road, will attend the company's regional business conference at Palm Beach, Florida, May 6-9.

These include Agents Steve Olivo of 779 Main Street, Agawam; and John Sheehan of 156 Meadowbrook Avenue, West Springfield.

The business conference will be attended by field representatives invited from district agencies in northern New England.

The conference sessions will be held at the Palm Beach Biltmore Hotel. They will be conducted by executives from Prudential's Northeastern home office in Boston, Massachusetts.

## Agawam's Tax Rate For '64 To Be \$79

The announcement by the Board of Assessors that approval of the 1964 Tax Rate at \$79.00 per thousand by the Department of Corporations and Taxation will, without doubt, cause some concern for our taxpayers. This is the largest increment we have ever experienced.

Neither space nor time allow the Board to give a detailed account of the reasons for this increase but we do feel, in your behalf, that basic factors should be discussed.

In each case the comparison is made between the years 1963 and 1964.

"Total Appropriations" voted by the Town Meeting members shows an increase of 4.4 percent. "Overlay" an amount used to meet statutory exemptions, has increased 106 percent. A large

portion of this is due to the new law allowing relief to taxpayers over 70 years of age. "Gross Amount to be raised" has increased 7 percent. "Estimated Receipts and Available Funds" show a comparable increase of only 2.9 percent. "Total Valuation" including personal property and real estate shows a small gain of 3 percent. "Available Funds" often used to help reduce the tax rate for the ensuing year has decreased 48 percent.

In summary, by comparisons, we as a town have spent more; have been forced by law to give more aid thereby placing a burden on other taxpayers; have not realized normal capital gains; and have less free cash to expend to reduce the rate.

The consequence is a \$79.00 per thousand Tax Rate.

## St. John's Annual Spring Talent Show May 9-10

The transition from dutiful husband, wife, and children, to real live performers is the magic being worked as members of St. John the Evangelist Church zip into final rehearsals for its

spring talent show, May 9-10. This same magic is transferring others into finished actors and actresses in a cast which will number over 100, sharing the spotlight at Agawam High School auditorium. The show is directed this year by Rev. John P. Shannon, pastor of St. John's Church, who is also delegating the tasks of building and painting scenery, designing and sewing costumes, selling tickets and ads, sponsoring the patrons list, operating the stage and lighting, and directing the acting.

All Agawam responds to the magic of show business and it is the hope of the general committee that the public will attend the annual show. The patrons committee headed by Mrs. Natale Cirillo is now gathering the names of those who wish to lend a helping hand to the sponsorship of the show. Patrons may have their name on the "Honor Roll List" by signing up after all Masses this Sunday at St. John's. Members of the patrons committee will be in the church hall following all masses and will give each patron two complimentary tickets for the show. Mrs. Cirillo said today, "This year due to the time element, the patron committee will not contact the parishioners by phone. Therefore we are hoping that all parishioners will turn in their names in the church hall following masses Sunday. This will be our only contact, there will be no telephone call. It is advised that names be turned in this Sunday that they may be included in the parish

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## Promoted Third Class Class Petty Officer

Peter N. Russell, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Russell of Carr Ave., Agawam, has been promoted to Third Class Petty Officer ac-



PETER N. RUSSELL

cording to word received by his mother from the U. S. Navy Department.

Peter is an electronics technician-seaman and has been assigned to the bathyscaph Trieste's

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## VFW Post 1632 - Auxiliary Joint Installation Saturday

The Agawam VFW Post 1632 and its Auxiliary will hold a joint installation of officers Saturday evening at 7 in the Agawam Motor Lodge. Commander Toimi Tammi will open the meeting and Pledge Allegiance to Flag and Chaplain John Sears will lead prayer.

Dancing to the music of "The Michael Noto Trio" will follow the installation and refreshments will be served by the Ladies Auxiliary.

Officers of the Post will be installed by Thomas Cellili: Commander, Brady Snyder; Senior Vice Commander, Russell Baker; Junior Vice Commander, Mahlon Inman, Jr.; Quartermaster, Toimi Tammi; Adjutant, Thomas Dickinson; Chaplain, Marvin Monroe; Post Advocate, Adam Link; Surgeon, James Stellato; Guard, Clinton Finch; Officer of the Day, Adam Link; Trustee—3 years—Michael Dunphy; Trustee—2 years—Paul Methe; Trustee—1 year—Andrew Pagliaro; Service Officer, Louis Draghetti; Armorer, Russell Baker; Public Relations, William Keough; Historian, Andrew Pagliaro and Community Activity, James Stellato.

Ladies Auxiliary will be installed by Mrs. Inez Gross; President, Venetta Snyder; Senior Vice President, Katherine Dick-

inson; Junior Vice President, Helen Baker; Treasurer, Margaret Ardizoni; Chaplain, Celia Lewonchuk; Conductress, Elinor Dunphy; Guard, Emile Dias; Secretary, Stella Longhi; Musician,



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Barbara Swanson; Patriotic Instructor, Francis Link; trustee—3 years, Theresa Tammi; Trustee—2 year, Alice Methe; Trustee—1 year, Katherine Sullivan; Color Bearers, Kit Sullivan, Elsa Sears, Lucy Byrne and Francis Link.



## CHURCH NEWS

### BAPTIST CHURCH

*Rev. Benjamin T. Lockhart, Pastor*  
*Mrs. Frank Merchant, Organist-Choir Director*  
*Mrs. Barbara Briggs, Church Secretary*

Thursday: 6:30 p.m. Choralier Choir rehearse at church; 8 p.m. Senior Choir rehearse at church.  
 Friday: 6:30 p.m. The Suburban Church Bowling League annual Banquet in Fellowship House.

Sunday: 9 and 11:10 a.m. Two morning services. Rev. Lockhart will preach both services. The Senior Choir sing first service and Celestial Choir sing at second service. Communion served at both services; 9:30 and 10 a.m. Church School for all; 7 p.m. The Deacons meeting; 8 p.m. A meeting on Race and Religion will be held at Lay Memorial Methodist Church, Feeding Hills. Our delegates are invited to attend.

Monday: 8 p.m. Amicitia Circle meet at home of Mrs. Donald Goss; 8 p.m. The Plans and Construction Committee meet at the parsonage.

Tuesday: 7 p.m. The Celestial Choir rehearse at church.

Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Trading Post open; 3 p.m. The Melody Choir rehearse at church; 7 p.m. ABC Bell Ringers rehearse at church; 6:30 p.m. The annual meeting of the church will start with a covered dish supper. Business meeting will follow.

Contentment is something that depends a little on position but a lot on disposition.

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### CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

*Floyd C. Bryan, Minister*  
*Mrs. Andrew G. Toussaint, Minister of Music*

Thursday — 7:30 p.m. Survey Committee meeting in Church Library.

Friday — 7 p.m. Boy Scouts meeting; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal; 8 p.m. Merriweds Square Dance.

Saturday 8:45 a.m. Intermediate Choir rehearsal; 9:45 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday — 9 a.m. Church School Nursery-Grade 6; 10 a.m. Church School Grades 7-12; 10 a.m. Adult Bible class; 9 and 11 a.m. Church at Morning Worship Rev. Bryan; 5:30 p.m. Junior Pilgrim Fellowship meeting; 7 p.m. Senior Pilgrim Fellowship meeting.

Tuesday — 6:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal.

### ST. DAVID'S CHURCH

*Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar*

Thursday — 7 p.m. Boy Scouts, troop #79, parish hall.

Friday — 3:15 p.m. Junior choir practice at church.

Saturday — 9 a.m. Holy Communion—10 a.m. Confirmation instruction.

Sunday — 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon; 7 p.m. Evening Prayer.

Wednesday — 7:30 p.m. Adult choir practice.

### FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

*Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney*  
*Mrs. Fred Nardi, Sr. Organist*  
*Mrs. D. Myer, Jr. Choir Director*

Thursday—7 p.m. Senior choir rehearsal.

Saturday — 9:30 a.m. Junior choir rehearsal; 10:30 a.m. Cherub choir rehearsal; 9:30-11 a.m. Registrations for daily vacation Bible School in Griswold Hall.

Sunday — 9:30 a.m. Church School; 11 a.m. Worship Service-Communion Sunday; 3-8 p.m. An-

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### Round The Town



By Ann Nael  
phone ST 8-8996

Miss Carol Bartolucci was recently honored at a surprise birthday party given for her eighteenth birthday by her sisters of the Omega Rho Society. The party was held at the home of the president, Marsha DellaGiustina. The other officers of the Omega Rho Society are as follows: Elaine Borgatti, Vice President; Betsy Donovan, Secretary; and Kathy Shelanskas, Treasurer.

nal meeting of the Hampden Association at Hope Church; 8 p.m. Agawam Interfaith Council of Racial Equality at Lay Memorial Methodist Church.

Monday — 7:30 p.m. Church Council in Griswold Hall.

Tuesday—6:15 p.m. Spring Assembly of the Council of Churches of Greater Springfield, at Faith Church.

Wednesday—7:30 p.m. Meeting of Clergy and key laymen to complete arrangements for Summer Union Services at home of Perry McCobb.

### LAY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

*Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister*  
*Mrs. H. Binns, Organist*  
*Mrs. M. Keyes, Sr. Choir Director*  
*Mrs. R. Ashton, Jr. Choir Director*

Saturday—9:30-11 a.m. Enrollment Day for vacation Church School.

Sunday — 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 9:30 and 11 a.m. Worship Service; 6:30 p.m. Junior MYF meet at church; 7 p.m. Senior MYF meet at church.

Wednesday — 8:15 p.m. Bible Study at church.

### VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

*Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Guest Minister*  
*Mrs. John Cesan, Secretary*  
*Mrs. John MacPherson*  
*Mrs. Harry Prior, Music Directors*

Thursday — 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal at the church.

Sunday — 11 a.m. Worship Service at Storowton Church at Eastern States Exposition grounds; Sunday School classes in session... Nursery for very small fry; 6:30 p.m. Youth organization meeting at Storowton.

### St. John's Guild Elects Officers

St. John the Evangelist Guild has re-elected Mrs. J. Clinton Wright, Jr., to serve as president for the coming year. Other officers elected were: Mrs. George Wagner, vice-president; Mrs. Donald Desjarlais, secretary and Mrs. Ernest McLean, re-elected treasurer.

Guest speaker was Rev. Joseph O'Neil, curate at St. John the Evangelist Church, who spoke on "The Mass."

Elected to the board of directors were Mrs. Thomas Haynes, Mrs. John Hermans, Mrs. Ronald Meunier and Mrs. Francis Phaneuf. The new officers will be installed at the annual banquet by Rev. John P. Shannon, pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church and spiritual adviser to the Guild.

Mrs. William Drzyzga, banquet chairman, has announced the annual banquet will be held May 6 at the Willow Glen, East Longmeadow. Assisting on the banquet committee are Mrs. Allan Jaycox, Mrs. Robert Morin, Mrs. Meunier and Mrs. McLean. Reservations may be made with the above committee or with the telephone committee chairman, Mrs. Henry Patnaude, RE 3-1296.

"Jaywalkers don't have much chance," observes the Automobile Legal Association. "For them it's either heads-up or tails-up."

## Creative Craft Contest Blanks Now Available

— Native American folk-design and handcraft, from the austere excellence of the Shaker chair to the turquoise-and-silver flamboyance of Navahoe jewelry is gradually passing from the modern scene.

There was a time — and not too remote either — when American homes abounded in evidence of domestic handicraft and creativity. Needlepoint, hand-decorated china and home-built furniture were standard household items. They are rarely seen today.

In an effort to keep alive the tradition of creative handicrafts

and stimulate interest in good design and well-executed workmanship, the Home Department of the Eastern States Exposition annually sponsors a Creative Craft Contest, centering on fine needlepoint and embroidery.

Plans for this year's contest, to coincide with the Sept. 19-27 dates of the Exposition have been announced by Mrs. Kay Flemer, Home Department Director. Entry blanks, available from the Home Department, will be accepted at the Exposition's West Springfield location until July 15. The entries themselves, limited to two per contestant, must arrive between Aug. 3 and 15, Mrs. Flemer explained. Entries will be judged on workmanship, choice of design, color harmony and suitability and appearance. First, second and third prize ribbons, with prizes of \$10, \$7 and \$5 respectively, will be awarded in each major classification, with honorable mentions at the judge's discretion, the director said.

Winners and meritorious entries will be on display through the Exposition dates at the Hampden County Improvement League Building. Entries will be returned express collect unless called for in person and will be insured while at the Exposition, Mrs. Flemer said.

The following three classes, with these groups, have been established: Class I, Crewel Embroidery, consisting of bedspreads, curtains, valances, furniture, wall hangings, wearing apparel, handbags, accessories and ecclesiastics; Class II, Needlepoint, consisting of furniture and wall hangings, handbags and accessories, cushions and ecclesiastics; Class III, Original design, consisting of items entirely original in all categories.

### Crouss Completes Tour of Duty

USS MOUNT KATMAI (FH-TNC) — Charles W. Crouss, machinist's mate fireman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Crouss of 241 Silver St., Agawam, returned March 30 to Concord, Calif., aboard the ammunition ship USS Mount Katmai completing a tour of duty with the Seventh Fleet in the Far East.

She enables ships of the fleet to remain on station longer by providing them with ammunition while underway. During her tour of duty she logged 26,030 miles and participated in 35 rearings of Seventh Fleet vessels. She also provided ammunition to Marine installations in Okinawa and Japan.

### St. John's . . .

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 book." Mrs. Kenneth Oliver is serving as cochairman.

Mrs. Ronald Meunier heads the program ad book and is being assisted by a large committee. Charles Maniscalchi will accompany the musical part of the program with Mrs. Harold Fischer serving as show prompter. St. John's Guild, Catholic Men and Women's Clubs, CYO and parish Boy Scouts all are participating in the show. Further information regarding tickets, ads or patrons list may be had by contacting any of the above members of the general committee. Mrs. Thomas Danford is in charge of publicity.



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McHugh, Arona — A Banner with a Strange Device.  
MacKinnon, Allan — Report from Argyll.  
Markandaya, Kamala — Possession.  
Marric, J. J. Gideon's Vote.  
Miller, Warren — Looking for the General.  
Pike, R. L. — The Quarry.  
Ross, I. T. — Teacher's Blood.  
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Slaughter, F. G. A Savage Place.  
Stein, A. M. — Blood on the Stars.  
Stewart, Ramona — Professor Descending.  
Swann, Francis — The Brass Key.  
Swarthout, Glendon — The Cadillac Cowboys.



The next regular meeting of the Agawam Lions Club will be held one week from today, May 7th, at the Officers' Club, West-over Air Force Base. About 75 reservations have been made with President John Porter, and members are asked to be on time because the tour of the Base will begin at 5 p.m.

The following meeting on May 20th will be held at the Olde Town House, Agawam and will mark the 20th anniversary of the Club. The Past Presidents and Lions Information Committee have had many meetings and have planned a gala affair. Also being observed at this time will be Ladies Night and Charter Night. Dinner will be roast beef with all the fixings at 7 p.m.

Agawam was well represented last Saturday night at the testimonial to District Governor Richard Menzel, Jr.

Turnbull, A. S. — The King's Orchard.

Underwood, Michael — The Crime of Colin Wise.

Vaughan, C. A. — The Yankee Rascals.

Vining, E. — Take Heed of Loving Me.

Weiss, David — Naked Came I.  
Wilder, Robert — Wind from the Carolinas.

Young, C. T. — The Bitter Iron.

Books for Teen-Agers  
Archibald, Joe — Hard Nosed Halfback.

Aresty, E. B. — The Grand Venture.

Bolton, Carole — The Stage is Set.

Colman, Hila — Phoebe's First Campaign.

Heuman, William — Power-house Five.

Nielson, Jean — Halfpenny Linda.

Ogan, Margaret — Backyard Winner.

Snelling, Lois — The Yellow Cup Mystery.

Tibbets, A. B., ed. — Courage in Korea.

### Twins Mother's . . .

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son: Mrs. James DeMercurio, president; Mrs. John McCarthy, vice-president; Mrs. Richard Manegre, second vice-president; Mrs. Gerald Morneau, secretary; Mrs. Edward Burns, treasurer; Mrs. Thomas Smethurst, corresponding secretary and Mrs. Robert O'Donnell, publicity. These officers were voted on during the April meeting and will be installed at Monday's meeting.

Mrs. Richard Manegre, program chairman, announces the entertainment will consist of colored slides taken by Connie and Harvey Vigneault. Mr. and Mrs. Vigneault, with their teen age daughter, Laura, toured Europe with a group from Boston College Centennial during June and July. Slides will include pictures taken in Ireland, London, Amsterdam, Sweden, Italy and Paris and will represent some 2600 miles of bus travel through these countries. While in Rome they were fortunate to have one of the first audiences with Pope Paul VI.

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Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Thomas Smethurst and Mrs. Wayne Goodrich, refreshment chairmen.

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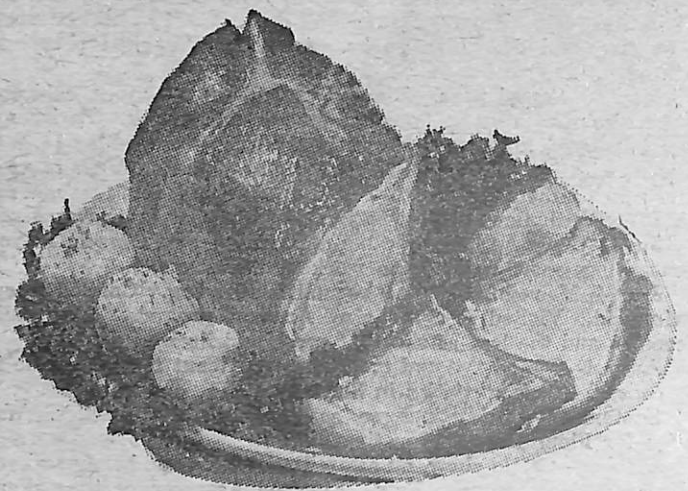
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## RIVERDALE DAIRY

By Edith LaFrancis

It is irksome to read the work of a historian who uses a smug and superior tone and calls our ancestors "simple people." At the time Agawam was incorporated in 1855, life called for a lot of horse sense and inventiveness. Industry was expanding and progressive farming was making use of new inventions and procedures.

James N. Bagg (cousin to Richard who ran one of the biggest market gardens on Riverdale Road) had a farm just south of Witch's Path facing the Connecticut. His diary shows the diversity of problems encountered by the breadwinner of 1855. His household was composed of father, mother who was nearly bed-ridden, a young wife and baby girl. Under items for March are—Went to Ashley's Mill for 12 posts. Went to Betsey Goff and got measured for a whole suit. Went to Capt. Eldredge's and took notes for Hatch, auctioneer.

April 2. Helped wash and went to town meeting. Water froze 1½ inches thick. Froze in kitchen all day. Went to library meeting in evening and drew five books. April 27, Ploughed potato land with oxen.

May 10, Sowed peas. Planted cucumbers, tomatoes, cabbage in hot bed frames. Dug up hops and set out under bank. Father made soap, butchered, and went over to the street as usual. May 14, Washed trees with lye water. Other May items—Planted seeds in garden after soaking them 18 hours. Fixed watering tub in street and made bridge in the hollow. Went to Springfield. Got baby wagon.

June—Uncle Fellus made his appearance first time in 10 years. Went to see mowing machine work at Atwater's.

July 4, Moved in burying ground in morning. Carried Mary to Springfield. Visited friends, also Armory grounds. Saw balloon ascension and the last of the boat races and fireworks.

August—Bound rye and cradled oats. Went to Ashleyville taking census. Took statistics in Shad Lane.

September—to Mittenague cotton mill for statistics. Wrote notice for Flour Dealers' meeting.

October—Cattle show, on committee for cheese, honey and vegetables. To Northampton Fair. Finished Assessors writing. Pounded clothes (part of washing). Got in corn and apples. Sat up ½ night with Mahlon Loomis (had typhoid fever). Father made cider from 44 bushel apples. Helped boil 37½ yds. cotton, ½ barrel cider, and 32 lbs. quince preserves. Heard Charles Sumner at Springfield. Cleared out ice house. Went to Whig Caucus.

November—Cleaned Mother's room, pantry. Changed carpets. Organized Farmer's Club. Made 24 doz. candles, Mary chopped mince meat and cut apples, made samp, etc. Made fire board for kitchen fireplace, put new doors on stove. Tried working in Mill and did not like it.

On Jan. 2, 1856 went to Feeding Hills and had dinner with Alfred Flower, town clerk. He claims right to register all births and deaths since the town was divided. Home by way Morley Bridge.

March 26—Commenced bathing in cold water (Hardly a sign of Spring, for next item is "3 men crossed ice on foot.")

April—Father went to Parish meeting, bought old slip (seat) for \$14.35. Began fishing at Fish Place, caught 44 shad.

June—Set out tobacco for Hathaway. Rode horseback to Amos-town, Nonesuch and Wolf Swamp.

Feb. 17, 1857. Trip to Agawam. Pleasant ride. Visited Sheldon Brooks and Wilbur Wilson, milkmen who use most modern methods.

And so it goes on. Mother dies. A son is born. Time ticks off the seasons and life is neither "simple" nor boring.

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## Waste Collections

### ROUTE 5

Friday, May 1 — Alexander Ave., Barry, Belmont Ave., Bristol Dr., Carol Ave., Churchill Ave., Hamilton Dr., New York Ave., North St. Ext., North West, North Westfield, Overlook Dr., Parkview Dr., Pine, Richmond Ave., Roosevelt Ave., South West, South Westfield, Southwick, Sunset Ter. and Thalia Drive.

### ROUTE 6

Monday, May 4—Adams, Cosgrove, DePalma, Doane Ave., Edgewater Rd., Franklin St. Ext., Garden, Memorial Dr., Mountainview, Oxford, Phil, Poplar, Porter Dr., Ridge Ave., Shoemaker Ln., Silver, Silver Lake Dr., South, Suffield and Vadais St.

### ROUTE 7

Tuesday, May 5 — Althea Dr., Anthony, Belle, Centre, Clematis Dr., Colonial Ave., Cooper, Elsie, Fairview, Federal Ave., Federal, Federal St. Ext., Harvey Johnson Dr., Karen Dr., Ley, Poinsetta, Potomac Pl., Prine Ln., Reed, Samuel, Senator Ave., Stanley Pl., Valentine, Valentine St. Ext., Vernon, Virginia, Washington, Westford Cir. and Woodside Dr.

### ROUTE 8

Wednesday, May 6 — Birchill Rd., Carr Ave., Elm, Emerson, Haskell, Henshaw Ave., Kanawa Ave., Lealand Ave., Main, Mar-dale Ave., Nile Ave., Parker, Perry Ln., Raymond Cir., Riverside Ave., Riverview Ave., Ruskin Ave., South Park Ter., Stewart Ln., Sunnyslope Ave., Thirlmere Ave., Veranda Ave., Woodcliffe Ave. and Wright St.

### ROUTE 9

Thursday, May 7 — Albert, Alhambra Cir., Barney, Central, Corey, Edith Ave., Edward, Elbert Rd., Ellison Ave., Frank, Hunt, James Ave., John, Joseph, Kirkland, Liberty Ave., Maple Ave., Meadow, Meadow Ave., Monroe, Pomeroy, River Rd., School, Seymore Ave., Sterling Rd., Sunrise Ter., Willard Ave. and Wyman Ave.



## COLLEGE NEWS

### UMass

AMHERST, Mass. — The University of Massachusetts today announced Richard C. Morassi received his degree of Bachelor of Science graduating from the School of Physical Education. Son of Mr. Alphonse Morassi of 15 Ralph Street, Agawam, Richard is a 1959 graduate of Agawam High School. He was a member of the Recreation Club and Theta Chi fraternity.

### University of Hartford

Frederick Desjarlais of Agawam will appear as Francis Nurse in "The Crucible" at Hartt College of Music of the University of Hartford. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick E. Desjarlais of Agawam and is a graduate of Agawam High School. An opera major at Hartt he is now in his freshman year.

## Promoted . . .

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support force for important research work in the Atlantic Ocean off the New England coast next month, presumably including another attempt to locate the nuclear submarine Thresher which sank 220 miles east of Boston last April.

The Trieste, a deep-diving research vessel, made five dives to 8400 feet in the area in which the Thresher went down with 129 men aboard and photographed articles and debris identified as coming from the submarine.

Russell, who graduated from the Navy Electrician-Electronics School in the top half of his class at Great Lakes, Ill., Training Station, attended Agawam Schools and Springfield Trade School. He worked for Sears, Roebuck & Co., and spent two years in the Navy reserve before enlisting in the Regular Navy last April 16—only six days after the loss of the Thresher.



May 4

through

May 8

### SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, cheeseburgers, potato chips, buttered carrots, peanut butter honey sandwich, brownies, milk.

Tuesday: Hot roast pork sandwich, applesauce, buttered broccoli, banana nut bread, ice cream cup, milk.

Wednesday: Macaroni w/meat sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, Italian roll w/butter, fruit, oatmeal raisin cookie, milk.

Thursday: Oven fried chicken, parslid potato, buttered peas, cranberry sauce, bread/butter, jello w/whipped cream, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna salad sailboat, potato chips, carrot sticks, ripe olives, blueberry square, milk.

### JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, ravioli w/meat sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, pineapple chunks, butter cookies, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, ham sandwiches, French fries, tossed salad, chocolate pudding, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, hamburger on bun, green beans, applesauce, oatmeal cookies, peanut butter sandwiches, milk.

Thursday: Juice, roast turkey in gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, jello w/topping, bread/butter, milk.

Friday: Juice, pizza, celery-carrot sticks, butter cake w/chocolate sauce, peanut butter sandwiches, milk.

### DANAHY

Monday: Orange juice, hamburger and roll w/relish, mustard, buttered corn, gingerbread w/topping, milk.

Tuesday: Ravioli w/meat, tomato sauce, wax beans, bread/butter, cheese wedge, sliced peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, turkey salad sandwich, potato chips, tossed salad, applesauce cake, milk.

Thursday: Mashed potatoes, hamburger gravy, peas/carrots, bread/butter, pineapple chunks, milk.

Friday: Juice, oven-fried potatoes, fish cakes w/catsup, cole slaw w/green peppers, bread/butter, chocolate cake w/topping, milk.

### GRANGER

Monday: Hamburg gravy, mashed potato, diced beets, peanut butter sandwich, tapioca pudding w/pineapple topping, milk.

Tuesday: Grape juice, meat ravioli w/meat, tomato sauce, tossed salad (lettuce, tomato, spinach), bread/butter, cake w/hot fudge sauce, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, grilled hamburger on roll, relish, catsup, cheese cube, buttered carrots, apple crisp, milk.

Thursday: Fruit juice, oven fried chicken, buttered noodles, peas, bread/butter, fruit cup, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, tuna fish salad roll, peanut butter sandwich, potato sticks, cookies, spicy applesauce, milk.

### PEIRCE

Monday: Baked meat loaf, parslid potatoes, buttered carrots, bread/butter, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Tuesday: Pizza-burgers, potato chips, kernel corn, peanut butter sandwich, peaches/pears, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus fruit juice,

oven brown sliced pork, whipped potatoes, brown gravy, buttered wax beans, peanut creme grams, milk.

Thursday: Beef-vegetable stew, carrots stix, hot cheese muffins, peanut butter sandwich, fruit jello w/topping, milk.

Friday: Baked macaroni w/cheese and tomatoes, cabbage relish salad, cheese or peanut butter sandwich, vanilla pudding w/fruit topping, milk.

### PHELPS

Monday: Baked macaroni with hamburger, tomato sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, bread/butter, peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Grilled hamburger on buttered bun, onion slices, relish, buttered corn, orange wedges, white cake w/chocolate frosting, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, vegetable soup, bologna sandwich, carrot sticks, apple, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Thursday: Roast turkey in gravy on mashed potato, cranberry sauce, buttered green beans, bread/butter, ice cream cup, milk.

Friday: Tuna salad sandwich, potato salad, carrot sticks, bread/butter, pineapple chunks, milk.

### ROBINSON

Monday: Orange juice, hamburger on buttered roll, mustard, relish, cheese sticks, buttered carrots, apple crisp, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, open hot turkey sandwich w/gravy, buttered peas, cranberry sauce, peanut butter sandwich, fruited jello, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, grinders (meat, lettuce, tomato, cheese), potato chips, ripe olives, peanut butter cookies, milk.

Thursday: Shell macaroni with meat, tomato sauce, buttered green beans, bread/butter, peanut butter sandwiches, sliced peaches, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna salad sailboat, peanut butter sandwich, potato chips, pickled beets, yellow cake w/pineapple topping, milk.

### SOUTH

Monday: Juice, steamed franks on buttered roll, relishes, cheese sticks, applesauce, milk.

Tuesday: Hot open turkey sandwich w/gravy, baked sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, buttered green beans, pumpkin cake, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus juice, chicken noodle soup w/vegetables, celery sticks, ham salad on rye bread, fresh apple, cookie, milk.

Thursday: Pork chop suet on buttered rice, buttered spinach, peanut butter honey on rye, jelly roll cake, milk.

Friday: Baked macaroni with cheese sauce, ABC salad, jelly sandwich, blueberry cake with topping, milk.

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## SOCIAL SECURITY

### Questions and Answers

**Q.** My wife died after having worked a few years. Am I eligible for any social security benefits?

**A.** It is possible that your wife's past earnings may permit a lump sum death payment or monthly benefits depending upon the age and relationship of her survivors. We suggest getting in touch with us without delay because failure to file a timely application can result in the loss of benefits.

**Q.** My sister was the sole support of two young children until her death a few months ago. Are any social security benefits payable to these kids?

**A.** It is quite likely, if your sister worked fairly regularly during the past few years. You should lose no time in visiting the social security office with more details about these children, their ages, and where they live.

**Q.** I am 63 years old and only work part time. Could I receive widow's benefits on my deceased husband's earnings now, and then change to my own old-age benefit at 65?

**A.** Yes, this is possible. When you get in touch with the social security office, you will be informed of the amounts involved, and then you can choose which benefit you feel is to your advantage.

**Q.** Is it possible for a mother, who is under 62 with minor children, to draw social security if her husband is receiving a benefit or is deceased?

**A.** Yes. This is called "mother's benefits," and is payable until the youngest child becomes age 18, then all benefits terminate until the mother reaches 62.

**Q.** I'm familiar with the recent changes in the social security law that lets me work part time and still receive some of my benefits. But my earnings every year vary between 1200 and 4500. How can I estimate the amount I will receive from social security each year?

**A.** Your local social security office can give you a free pamphlet—"You Don't Have to Retire Completely to Get Social Security Benefits" (OASI-23c). If you know the amount of your social security benefits and can estimate your early earnings, this pamphlet will show you the amount that you could expect to receive during the year.

**Q.** I retired last year and began getting my monthly social security checks. This spring I ac-

cepted a job as a building superintendent at a yearly salary of \$4000. Since I am working, do I have to notify the social security office to stop my checks?

**A.** You must report your work at once to social security. You can do this by filling out and mailing a post card form, OA-C669. You probably were given this form when you applied for benefits. If you can't find it, visit your social security office to complete the form.

**Q.** I went back to full time employment after being rehabilitated two years ago, and my disability benefits stopped. Last month I had a relapse, and now I can't work at all. Am I entitled to disability benefits again?

**A.** Yes, you are. The law says that if you become disabled a second time with 5 years after your benefits stopped, disability insurance benefits can resume with the first month in which you are "re-disabled." There is no 6 months' waiting period if this occurs.

## Health For All

On May 1, for the second successive year, an all-out counter-offensive will be launched on a nationwide front against one of mankind's major disease threat.

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Last year, in America's first nationwide alert against the symptoms of RD, the National Tuberculosis Association and affiliated state and local groups used all communications media to spread the slogan: "If you have chronic cough or shortness of breath, you may have a Respiratory Disease. Don't take chances. See your doctor." Vast numbers of Americans got the message; many heeded the advice to seek medical attention for their chronic cough or shortness of breath.

This May and June the Christmas Seal Association and its affiliated groups, with the impetus thus gained, will take the field again and seek to make the message stick. Just as millions of people over a period of years were educated to the importance of the chest X-ray, so it is hoped to indoctrinate the public to the need for medical attention wherever there is a shortness of breath or a chronic cough.

Health for all sponsored by Hampden County Tuberculosis and Public Health Association.

## My Beat — A.H.S.

by Marsha Della-Giustina

The Future Nurses of America enjoyed their annual banquet on Tuesday, April 14. The banquet was held at Tinti's Restaurant and the girls' mothers were invited. Miss O'Brien, the school nurse, was the main speaker.

Laurene Kittler was installed as the new president and her officers are Julie Haidemenos, Sandy Rosa, and Dorrin Hary. They will take over their duties when the club's year commences next fall.

The FNA is a very popular club at Agawam High. Its purpose is to acquaint high school girls with the nursing profession. The girls discuss the advantages and disadvantages of a nursing career at their meetings. They visited Monson State Hospital's retarded patients bringing them little candy baskets. Mercy Hospital also received gifts from the Future Nurses who made place mats for the hospital.

Guest speakers helped to give the girls a better insight into the medical field. Mrs. Kelly from Mercy Hospital spoke to the club about a nurse and her responsibility toward her patients, community, and family. Miss Janet Pedulla, an AHS graduate and a student nurse, gave the student's view of training and hospital life.

The FNA entertained the Future Nurses Club of Southwick High School. The two clubs discussed various phases of the nursing training and got to know each other better and compare the two clubs' achievements and plans.

The FNA enjoyed a successful year and is looking forward to another year. Mrs. Kelley is the club's advisor while the officers are as follows: President, Norma Raimondi; Vice-President, Carole Settembro; Secretary, Marcia Rachek; Treasurer, Susan Maziaz.

### Fresh Class Party

The Class of '67 will hold their class party in the early part of

May. The theme will be "Hawaiian Lua" and the decorations will reproduce the enchanting island of Hawaii.

The head chairman is Susan Durant while Gail Begley is chairman of the decorations committee. Disc jockeys will be Dick Morin, Steve Olivo, Steve Cincotta, and Roger Kida.

When the freshmen enter the cafeteria, each one will be presented with a lei, welcoming them to a fun-filled evening. A platform at the entrance of the cafeteria will resemble a gang plank of a ship with "Aloha" and two white life savers strung up above the gang plank. Fish nets, palm trees, and Hawaiian posters will add the finishing touches to the pretty scene. Refreshments will consist of cookies, potato chips, and punch.

The class officers are as follows: President, Susan Durant; Vice-President, Paul Fantes; Secretary, Holly Gibson; Treasurer, Tommy Shaker. Have fun, frosh!!

Coming events: Track team meets Chicopee Monday at home! Seniors have 24 more school days until graduation! Juniors take college boards Saturday! Good luck!



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## SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By Bill Chiba

The rivers had dropped down almost to normal flow by last weekend. The fishing should have been fairly decent in the streams emptying into the Westfield river and the main body of water should have produced more fish to the angler than the first weekend. As far as I could find out, this was not so. The fish still are not feeding as readily as they should. The first beefing I heard included the statement that "the Division is not stocking the number of trout in the rivers and brooks that they say they are." We have heard this cry in years past, when the fishing has not been up to par. The lakes are

producing tremendously. York, Garfield, and Buell being the hottest spots to date.

Sunday afternoon I journeyed up to Walker Brook in Chester, Mass. The water was flowing at a normal rate of speed and the sun was out in full glory. I figured the water temperature to be up from the week before, and the fishing should be productive. I tied on two of Sam Provo's peppered nymphs and cast up stream so that the artificials would sink near to the bottom of the small pool before I started to retrieve them slowly. The line just straightened out when "Bam" a small brookie was on. I started to play him in to the shore when another trout hit the dropper. I never have had two fish on at the same time, and it proved to be quite an exciting experience even though the fish were small.

I worked only about 75 yards of brook before quitting, and caught 10 small brook trout that measured around 7 inches each. Because of the uniformity in size they had to be stocked trout. I was disappointed in the size of the trout so I took off for the Farmington River. My efforts were wasted on both the Farmington and Clam rivers. Not even a strike on anything I presented. I talked with Sam Provo this

morning and he stated that he had done nothing on both rivers, so I don't feel so bad. Sam is an expert when it comes to nymph fishing.

Tony Godet, Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, told me that he has never seen so many boats on Quabbin Reservoir than there was Saturday out of Gate 31. Tony said, "I couldn't even fish my hot spots that have always produced in the past, because of the heavy concentration of boats." Paul Kukonen, renowned Quabbin fisherman, has put out a map showing the likely spots that should produce fish and the depths and type of bottom found there. This must be the reason for the heavy number of fishermen in one or two of Tony's favorite spots.

Tony has invited this writer to join him next Saturday. I'm looking forward to the excursion, for he nails trout when everybody else is going fishless.

Good news to the sportsmen... the Hampden County Council of Sportsmen Clubs monthly meetings will remain open to the press and anybody else that is interested enough to attend them. Mr. Ed Gleason, of the Agawam Sportsmen Club, attempted to close the meetings to the press, but was defeated in his try 19 to 1 upon vote of the clubs present at the April meeting.



**The Old Timer**  
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## Saxon Lanes First Spring Tournament To Start May 1

Saxon Wood Ten Pin Lanes announces the first Spring invitational handicap team tournament in May. It will run three weekends starting May 1 and ending May 17. The tournament will be ABC sanctioned.

Team entry fee will be \$25. per team. Estimated prize fund of \$1200. based on amount of entries. Handicap will be 75% of 200 with a 45 pin max. Closing date for entries will be one hour before last squad is scheduled to bowl.

GET YOUR TEAM TOGETHER AND SIGN UP TODAY !!!

## P. O. Service . . .

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and the services made available at a consolidated stamp and parcel post window. Domestic and international money orders will not be issued and the money order window will be closed. There will be no inquiry and claims, information, meter settings or box rents collected on Saturday. For the benefit of post office box holders, the lobby will be open from 6 a.m. until 4 p.m.

The Postmaster emphasized that no essential major services are effected under the orders. There will be no change in home delivery or special delivery, for example. Regular business mail deliveries will continue as usual. Letters and other first-class mail will be handled with the same priority as ever.

The economy step, Mrs. Brady explained, is in line with President Johnson's programs under which the recent Federal income tax cut was provided.

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Fran Lamagdeleine, 10 Winthrop St., Agawam, bowled on the Post 3104 South Hadley, Mass., team. There were 120 five man teams in competition from every nook and corner of the state. Fran's team came in 10th in the competition. The highlight of the evening was when Lew Pagnani, renowned candlepin champ, presented the trophy for men's high single to Fran.

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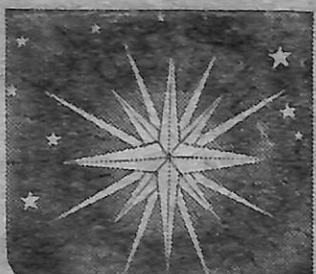
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## PROMENADERS



By Norm and Dot Jenks

The Promenaders had a grand evening of square dancing with Paul Pratt doing some peppy calling last Friday. It certainly felt mighty warm after a couple of dances. A few couples tried to find this dance at the usual location, the Robinson Park School, instead of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church. Glad you located us. We will be back home on May 8th with Dick Steele calling. Make it a date!



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The annual Steak Roast for Promenader members will be held this year at Strathmore Park with Dick Steele calling for the dance that follows. Steve and Lucille Parchick are chairman of this affair with Paul and Mary Rachek, Fran and Carl Link, Al and Elaine Taupier and Red and Barb Farrington serving on the committee. You will be hearing from these people in the near future. Remember you must have attended 4 club dances during the past fiscal year which runs from June 1st, 1963, to May 31st, 1964 in order to attend this event.

### Historical Society Invited To W. S. Project Meeting

Members of the Agawam Historical Society are invited to a meeting of the West Springfield History Project on next Monday,

at 7:30 p.m. at the West Springfield Public Library.

Following a business meeting the incorporation paper will be presented for approval will be a dialogue on Connecticut Valley history. This will be presented by Historians Wyatt Harper of Holyoke and Richard Garvey of Springfield.

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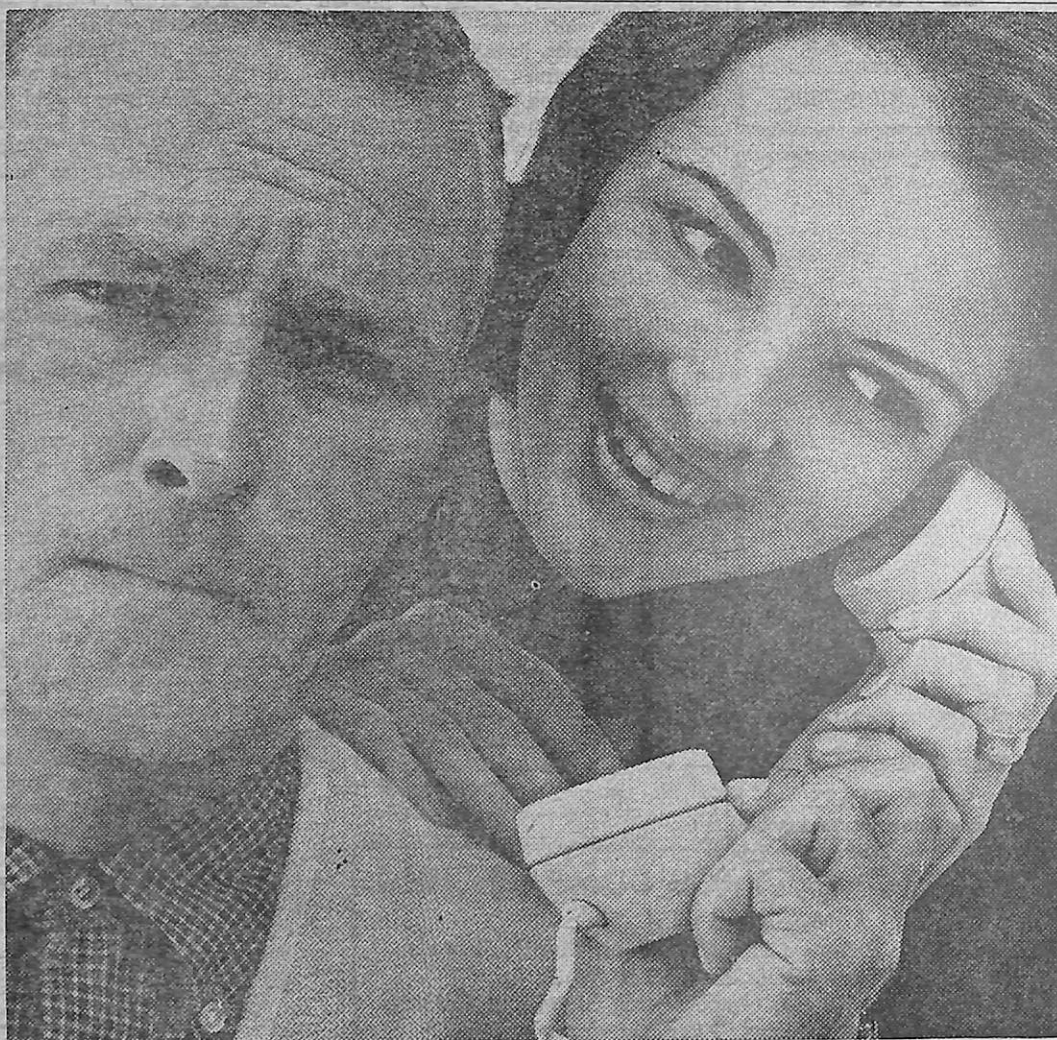
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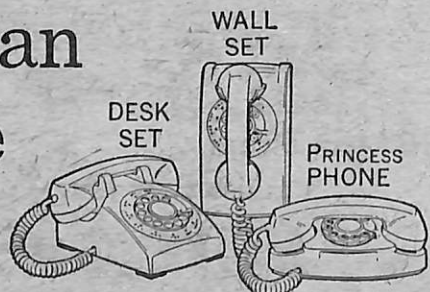
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## LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

by Virginia Catchepaugh

### Membership

Chairman Jean Smith has announced that membership is getting closer to the goal of 93 by May. 85 are enrolled to date, with the recent addition of four new junior and two new senior members.

### Unit Meeting

A regular meeting of the Unit will be held on May 4th at the Legion Hall.

### Poppies to

#### Honor Nation's War Dead

"Wear a poppy to honor the war dead and aid war's living victims." This is the appeal that will be made to everyone in 350 cities and towns by the American Legion on Poppy Day in May, as announced by Mrs. Gladys Belcher, Poppy Chairman of Wilson-Thompson Unit of the Auxiliary. Women of the Auxiliary will be on the streets throughout the day, offering the symbolic memorial poppies and receiving contributions for the Auxiliary's work in behalf of disabled veterans and needy children of veterans. The poppies will be crepe paper replicas of the wild poppies which grew "between the crosses, row on row," in the battle cemeteries in France and Belgium. They have been made for the Auxiliary by disabled veterans of both World Wars.

Agawam Post, Auxiliary, Sons of Legion, and Juniors will be at Riverside Park on May 9th with

poppies for those who wish to contribute.

This year added significance is given to the Auxiliary's Poppy Program. All these memorial flowers as assembled by hospitalized veterans at the V. A. Hospital in Bedford, Mass. Massachusetts Units are also creating much interest in selecting "Miss Poppy" among the Junior members of the Auxiliary between 9 and 18 years of age. A Miss Poppy Publicity Scrapbook Contest is being held with entries to be submitted by May 15th to local Poppy Chairman for entry in Department Contest at New Ocean House, Swampscott, June 4, 1964. The little red poppy is a badge of honor and courage of brave men and women of World War I, World War II, and the Korean War.

## Storowton Music Fair Opens Sixth Season June 8

### Hans Conreid Starts Schedule June 8 In "Take Her, She's Mine"

Wally Beach, producer of Storowton Music Fair in West Springfield, Mass., has spent the winter months carefully lining up what is expected to be the summer tent theatre's most spectacular season in its six year history. Now considered America's foremost theatre-in-the-round, the Music Fair raises its tangerine and green striped big top on May 16 in preparation for its exciting schedule of twelve big Broadway shows.

Television and motion picture star Hans Conreid launches the 1964 season on Monday, June 8 as he headlines the Broadway comedy smash, "Take Her, She's Mine." The week of June 15 will bring a star and show yet to be announced, but the rest of the star-studded schedule is as follows: June 22—Eva Gabor and Jean Pierre Aumont in "Tovarich," with Aumont re-creating his original role in the Broadway musical; June 29—Anna Maria Alberghetti in Leonard Bernstein's dramatic musical, "The West Side Story"; July 6—Tom Poston in "Little Me"; July 13—Don Ameche and Elaine Stritch in "I Married An Angel," with Ameche re-creating his original role in this all time musical hit; July 20 (for two weeks)—Zachary Scott in the greatest musical of all time, "My Fair Lady"; August 3 (for two weeks)—Glor-

ia DeHaven in Rodgers and Hammerstein's great musical about the Trapp Family, "The Sound of Music"; August 17—Howard Keel in "Camelot"; August 24—Molly Picon and Patricia Morison in "Milk and Honey," with Miss Picon re-creating her original role; August 31—Diahann Carroll in "No Strings," just as she did it on Broadway; and the closing week, September 7—Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Flower Drum Song" with star to be announced.

New this year will be a series of Sunday shows called "Two-A-Day Vaudeville," with six big variety acts appearing every Sunday beginning on June 21. Performance times will be at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. with all seats unreserved.

Beach has also inaugurated a new "First Nighters" program for patrons who attend the Monday evening performances of the Broadway shows. A special 25 percent discount is being offered "First Nighters" with other special privileges included. Season tickets are now on sale and orders are being accepted through the mail or by patrons going directly to the Music Fair executive offices which are located at the theatre site on the grounds of the Eastern States Exposition.

Organizations are already planning theatre parties for the coming season. Many of these groups use the theatre party method in an effort to raise money for charitable interests.

## At Your Service

DAVID C. GALLANO  
Director of Veterans Services



The Veterans Administration has started issuing the American Medical Association emergency medical identification card to selected veterans at its hospitals and outpatient clinics across the nation.

The VA said all its patients whose medical conditions carry special hazard, should they be rendered unconscious by accident or sudden illness, will receive the card. Among these may be epileptics, those allergic to certain drugs or foods, contact lens wearers, and veterans taking certain medicines.

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The 1964 edition of VA Fact Sheet IS-1, "Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents" is now on sale at the U. S. Government Printing Office in Washington, D. C.

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